CLAIMS: The following is a listing of all claims in the application with their status and the text of all active claims.

1-10 (CANCELED)

11.(CURRENTLY AMENDED) A blower mounting mechanism for mounting a blower on and within a device chassis ~~of~~
~~claim 10 further~~ comprising

a frame member;

a blower attached to said frame member adjacent one end of said frame member;

a first track portion carried by said frame member;

a second track portion presented by said device chassis which engages and cooperates with said first track portion to permit relative linear motion of said frame member into and out of said chassis through a chassis opening and to provide support of said frame member on said device chassis;

a latch element, which is a single molded member comprising a central portion that includes a latch projection formed as an integral part thereof and a pair of longitudinally extending outrigger portions respectively connected at each lateral side of said central portion by a reduced cross section web portion with each said outrigger portion including a plurality of outwardly extending projections;

said frame member including a central cut out portion presenting confronting edge surfaces which are confined respectively between said latch element outrigger portion projections, enabling said latch element to be supported on and longitudinally movable relative to said frame member at the end of said frame member opposite said one end;

said latch member latch projection being engageable with a cooperating latch means, comprising an opening in said device chassis into which said projection is received to retain said frame member within said device chassis when said frame is fully inserted into said device

chassis with said frame member one end first entering said device chassis opening;

means for manually releasing said latch projection from said chassis opening;

biasing means carried by said latch element for engaging said frame member when said latch means is engaged with said cooperating latch means to bias said frame toward said fully inserted position within said chassis; and

a drop down handle pivotably mounted on said latch element central portion and pivotable between an operative position at which it can be used to disengage said latch projection from said device chassis opening and a stored position closely adjacent said latch element.

12-15 (CANCELED)

16.(CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~The~~ A component mounting mechanism for mounting a component within a device chassis through a device chassis opening ~~of claim 15 further~~ comprising :

a sheet metal tray member;

a first component secured to the lower surface of said tray member adjacent one end thereof;

a cut out portion of said tray member extending from the end opposite said one end that presents parallel, longitudinal edge surfaces;

a latch element formed as a single integral molded member and supported on said tray member at said cut out portion for limited longitudinal movement with respect to said tray;

a latch projection carried by said latch element;

said latch element further including biasing means formed as a part of said latch element for engaging said tray member when said tray member is fully inserted through said device chassis opening to bias said tray member toward said fully inserted position;

said latch element further comprising a central portion and a pair of outrigger portions positioned respectively at each lateral side of said latch element central portion with each secured

to said central portion by a reduced cross section web and each presenting upper and lower outwardly extending projections that capture the respective said tray member longitudinal edge surface therebetween; and

a drop down handle pivotably mounted on said latch element central portion and pivotable between a normal, operative, depending position whereat it can be grasped to manually manipulate said latch member and a stored position closely adjacent said latch element central portion.

17.(ORIGINAL) The component mounting mechanism for mounting a component within a device chassis of claim 16 wherein said first component is a blower and said second component is a media device.

18.(NEW) A component mounting mechanism for mounting components in tandem within a device chassis comprising:

a frame member;

a first component attached to said frame member adjacent one end of said frame member;

a first track portion carried by said frame member;

a second track portion mounted on said device chassis which engages and cooperates with said first track portion to permit relative linear motion of said frame member into and out of said device chassis through an opening in said device chassis and to provide support for said frame member on said device chassis;

a latch element carried by said frame;

cooperating latch means carried by said device chassis and engageable by said latch element to secure said frame member at the fully inserted position within said deice chassis; and

a drop down handle pivotally mounted on said latch element and operable to disengage said latch element from, said cooperating latch means, whereby said frame may be removed from said device chassis;

said drop down handle being pivotable between an operative position at which it can be used to disengage said latch element form said cooperating latch means and a stowed position closely adjacent said latch element.

19. (NEW) The component mounting mechanism for mounting components in tandem within a device chassis of claim 18 further comprising:

a second component removably mounted on said frame member at the end opposite said one end;

said second component being engageable with said drop down handle to move said drop down handle from said operative position to said stored position as said second component is mounted on said frame member.